

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Regarding the Construction of the Trail between the Locks and NW 60th Street

How much of a delay in the work schedule will there be when it rains?

SCL can keep working, but it may slow Mid Mountain (Contractor) down depending on what work is being done.

How much will the trail reduce the width of Seaview?

By 6 ft; however, the lanes on Seaview currently are much wider than standard so narrowing the street lanes will not negatively affect traffic.

Will narrowing the street lanes slow traffic?

Possibly.

Are there any plans to intentionally slow traffic?

No, the current speed limit is 30 mph.

What types of trees will you plant along the trail?

Trees that will do with a minimum of care and there will be built-in irrigation to provide sufficient watering required initially to establish the trees.

Won't trees be a visibility problem?

No, these will be mostly Sunset Maples. The Department of Planning and Design approved the choice of trees taking into consideration the view concerns.

Where will the irrigation system be built?

In the berm.

How wide will the path be?

The bike trail will be 10 feet wide. The total project cross section is 24 ft including the 10 foot trail, a 5 foot sidewalk, a 6 foot planting strip and 3 foot landscape buffer running along the southwest side of the trail

Will the trail be marked "No pedestrians, bikes only" like the trail near Fred Meyer?

No, because this is wider (10 feet, not 8 feet) so it will be wide enough for pedestrian and bikes.

What could cause construction delays?

If an archeological site is unearthed; we will have an archeological observer on site which is a condition of the permit. Also, weather could cause delays.

What kind of plants are planned for the trail?

Mostly native low-maintenance varieties.

What about the driveways you are rebuilding?

These will be an improvement as they will be designed to current standards.

Who will maintain the trail and plantings?

The City because this is City property. We'll be planting low maintenance plants and installing the irrigation for plant establishment.

What about parking after the project is finished? Won't this be an issue?

No, but if it's an issue after the trail opens, please contact the parking management group in the traffic division: 684-5092.

What will the hours of work be?

Monday through Friday: 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Won't your construction be a problem when the Port of Seattle starts its marina work?

No, because there is quite a distance between the two work zones and the Port's project is not a street project.

At the intersection of NW 60th Street and Seaview, will you also install a traffic signal?

No, it doesn't qualify for a signal but the new configuration will make traffic more orderly through that intersection.

How many crews will be working at a time?

At times there may be several small crews working in different locations on the trail.